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Inv. Nos. 701-TA-510 and 731-TA-1245 (P)
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USITC VOTES TO CONTINUE CASES ON CALCIUM HYPOCHLORITE FROM CHINA

The United States International Trade Commission (USITC) today determined that there is a reasonable indication that a U.S. industry is materially injured by reason of imports of calcium hypochlorite from China that are allegedly subsidized and sold in the United States at less than fair value.

All six Commissioners voted in the affirmative.

As a result of the Commission's affirmative determinations, the U.S. Department of Commerce will continue to conduct its investigations on imports of this product, with its preliminary countervailing duty determination due on or about March 13, 2014, and its antidumping duty determination due on or about May 27, 2014.

The Commission's public report *Calcium Hypochlorite from China* (Investigation Nos. 701-TA-510 and 731-TA-1245 (Preliminary), USITC Publication 4452, February 2014) will contain the views of the Commission and information developed during the investigations.

Copies of the report are expected to be available after March 3, 2014, by emailing pubrequest@usitc.gov, calling 202-205-2000, or writing to the Office of the Secretary, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Requests may also be faxed to 202-205-2104.

FACTUAL HIGHLIGHTS

Calcium Hypochlorite from the People's Republic of China
Investigation Nos. 701-TA-510 and 731-TA-1245 (Preliminary)

Product Description: Calcium hypochlorite is a chemical compound used primarily as a sanitizing agent for swimming pools, spas, and municipal water treatment systems. These investigations cover calcium hypochlorite, regardless of form (e.g., powder, tablet (compressed), crystalline (granular), or in liquid solution), whether or not blended with other materials, containing at least 10% available chlorine measured by actual weight. The scope also includes bleaching powder and hemibasic calcium hypochlorite.

Calcium hypochlorite has the general chemical formulation $\text{Ca}(\text{OCl})_2$, but may also be sold in a more dilute form as bleaching powder with the chemical formulation, $\text{Ca}(\text{OCl})_2 \cdot \text{CaCl}_2 \cdot \text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ or hemibasic calcium hypochlorite with the chemical formula of $2\text{Ca}(\text{OCl})_2 \cdot \text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$ or $\text{Ca}(\text{OCl})_2 \cdot 0.5\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$.

Status of Proceedings:

1. Type of investigations: Preliminary antidumping and countervailing duty.
2. Petitioner: Arch Chemicals, Inc., Atlanta, GA.
3. Preliminary investigations instituted by the USITC: December 18, 2013.
4. Commission's conference: January 8, 2014.
5. USITC vote: January 31, 2014.
6. USITC determinations to the U.S. Department of Commerce: February 3, 2014.

7. USITC views to the U.S. Department of Commerce: February 10, 2014.

U.S. Industry:

1. Number of producers in 2013: Two.
2. Location of producers' plants: Tennessee and West Virginia.
3. Employment of production and related workers in 2013: (1)
4. Apparent U.S. consumption in 2013: (1)
5. Ratio of the value of total U.S. imports to total U.S. consumption in 2013: (1)

U.S. Imports:

1. From the subject country during 2013: (1)
2. From other countries during 2013: (1)
3. Leading sources during 2013: China, India, and Japan (in terms of total value).

(1) Withheld to avoid disclosure of business proprietary information.

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